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Brian Gustafson, Administrator  
Air Quality Program  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
523 East Capitol, Joe Foss Building  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dakota Valley Business Council

Dear Mr. Gustafson:

PO Box 697

The Dakota Valley Business Council (DVBC) is an association of businesses in Dakota Dunes and North Sioux City, South Dakota. On behalf of the DVBC Board of Directors, I am writing to express our support of for the Hyperion Energy Center permit application. Please accept this letter as our formal comment requesting that the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (SD DENR) approve the Hyperion Energy Center air permit. We strongly believe that this project is a great opportunity for South Dakota, Siouxland, and our nation.

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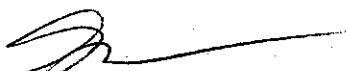
We support the Hyperion Energy Center for the following reasons:

- Hyperion is committed to meeting or exceeding all environmental standards required by SD DENR;
- Hyperion is demonstrating a commitment to good corporate citizenship and community involvement;
- The economic benefits the state, region, and nation will see from this project are tremendous;
- Thousands of new jobs, new tax revenue and tremendous growth as a result of this project will benefit everyone in the region;
- This project allows South Dakota to take a leadership role in helping America to increase its energy security.

*Affiliated with the Siouxland  
Chamber of Commerce*

Thank you for your time and diligent attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Greg Miner  
President

CC: Board of Minerals and Environment